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SUBJECT: A/S CARSON'S OCTOBER 27 DISCUSSION OF AFRICAN

AFFAIRS WITH EGYPTIAN COUNTERPARTS Classified By: Ambassador Margaret Scobey for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

1.(C) Key Points: -- Egyptian Assistant Foreign Minister for African Affairs Mona Omar told Assistant Secretary (A/S) of State for African Affairs

2.(C) A/S Johnnie Carson discussed a range of African regional issues with his Egyptian counterpart A/FM Mona Omar and a delegation of the Egyptian

3.(C) Omar said Egypt wants to work with the U.S. to play a positive role in supporting the TFG and resolving the Somali crisis. She told Carson

4.(C) Omar admitted that Eritrea is a conduit for money and arms to the Somali opposition, but not the source. She said proposed economic sanctions

5.(C) A/S Carson acknowledged that the U.S. and Egypt have convergent views on most issues in Somalia such as support for Sheikh Sharif, the Transitional

6.(C) According to Omar, Egypt is providing doctors, teachers, medicine, and food in Somaliland, but security conditions prevented plans to provide

7.(C) Ahmed Abdel Meguid, First Secretary in the Egyptian MFA's Sudan Department, told Carson that the U.S. and Egypt need to work together to

8.(C) Omar said eastern Congo is a priority for Egypt because it is rich in minerals and has strong ties to other countries in the Nile Basin

9.(U) A/S Carson cleared this cable. Scobey